What are the Projects of National Significance (PNS)?

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PNS allow a rapid response to the most pressing issues affecting people with disabilities and their families. The PNS create and enhance opportunities for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) to contribute to and participate in all facets of community life.

Current Ongoing Projects

PNS support and address critical issues facing the disability community.

Bridging the Aging and Disabilities Networks

Supports people with I/DD and their families to improve planning and address their own needs, goals, and preferences

Empowering Youth with I/DD to Manage Their Healthcare Transitions

Empowers youth with I/DD to direct their own healthcare transitions from pediatric to adult models of care

Self-Advocacy Resource and Technical Assistance Center (SAR-TAC)

Provides support to organizations to make their information accessible to people with I/DD

Community Collaborations for Employment

Supports people with I/DD in gaining Competitive Integrated Employment and community living

Alternatives to Guardianship Youth Resource Center

Supports youth with I/DD in moving away from guardianship to Supported Decision-Making (SDM)

Strengthening the Healthcare Workforce and Addressing Health Disparities among People with I/DD

Advocates for embedding disability-related content into the health education

Living Well

Develops and tests new approaches for Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) for people with I/DD

What are the Ongoing Longitudinal Data Collection PNS?

The projects provide unique data that cannot be found anywhere else from the 50 states, District of Columbia, the U.S. Territories.

The State of the States in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

This project investigates federal, state, and local spending and program trends in I/DD services and supports.

Visit stateofthestates.ku.edu to learn more.

StateData: The National Report on Employment Services and Outcomes

This project investigates day and employment services for people with

Visit thinkwork.org/statedata to learn more.

The National Residential Information System Project (RISP)

This project investigates data on Medicaid-funded residential and in-home supports for people with I/DD.

Visit risp.umn.edu to learn more.

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